recognizing a National Lao-Hmong Recognition Day; and

The nominations of Harris L. Hartz, of New Mexico, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Tenth Circuit, John D. Bates, of Maryland, to be United States District Judge for the District of Columbia, Kurt D. Engelhardt, to be United States District Judge for the Eastern District of Louisiana, Joe L. Heaton, to be United States District Judge for the Western District of Oklahoma, William P. Johnson, to be United States District Judge for the District of New Mexico, Clay D. Land, to be United States District Judge for the Middle District of Georgia, Frederick J. Martone, to be United States District Judge for the District of Arizona, Danny C. Reeves, to be United States District Judge for the Eastern District of Kentucky, and Julie A. Robinson, to be United States District Judge for the District of Kansas; James Edward Rogan, of California, to be Under Secretary of Commerce for Intellectual Property and Director of the United States Patent and Trademark Office; and Thomas L. Sansonetti, of Wyoming, to be Assistant Attorney General for the Environment and Natural Resources Division, David R. Dugas, to be United States Attorney for the Middle District of Louisiana, Edward Hachiro Kubo, Jr., to be United States Attorney for the District of Hawaii, James A. McDevitt, to be United States Attorney for the Eastern District of Washington, David E. O'Meilia, to be United States Attorney for the Northern District of Oklahoma, Sheldon J. Sperling, to be United States Attorney for the Eastern District of Oklahoma, and Johnny Keane Sutton, to be United States Attorney for the Western District of Texas, Richard S. Thompson, to be United States Attorney for the Southern District of Georgia, all of the Department of Justice.

Also, the committee announced the following subcommittee assignments:

Subcommittee on Administrative Oversight and the Courts: Senators Schumer (Chairman), Leahy, Kennedy, Feingold, Durbin, Sessions (Ranking Member), Thurmond, Grassley, and Specter.

Subcommittee on Antitrust, Competition and Business and Consumer Rights: Senators Kohl (Chairman), Leahy, Feingold, Schumer, Cantwell, Edwards, DeWine (Ranking Member), Hatch, Thurmond, Specter, and Brownback.

Subcommittee on the Constitution: Senators Feingold (Chairman), Leahy, Kennedy, Schumer, Durbin, Thurmond (Ranking Member), Hatch, Kyl, and McConnell.

Subcommittee on Crime and Drugs: Senators Biden (Chairman), Leahy, Feinstein, Kohl, Durbin, Cantwell, Edwards, Grassley (Ranking Member), Hatch, DeWine, Sessions, Brownback, and McConnell.

Subcommittee on Immigration: Senators Kennedy (Chairman), Feinstein, Schumer, Durbin, Cantwell, Edwards, Brownback (Ranking Member), Specter, Grassley, Kyl, and DeWine.

Subcommittee on Technology, Terrorism and Government Information: Senators Feinstein (Chairman), Biden, Kohl, Cantwell, Edwards, Kyl (Ranking Member), DeWine, Sessions, and McConnell.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Measures Introduced: 13 public bills, H.R. 3372–3384; 1 private bill, H.R. 3386 and 2 resolutions, H. Res. 298 and 300 were introduced.

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Reports Filed: Reports were filed today as follows: H.R. 1022, to amend title 4, United States Code, to make sure the rules of etiquette for flying the flag of the United States do not preclude the flying of flags at half mast when ordered by city and local officials, amended (H. Rept. 107–305);

H.R. 3209, to amend title 18, United States Code, with respect to false communications about certain criminal violations, amended (H. Rept. 107–306);

H.R. 3275, to implement the International Convention for the Suppression of Terrorist Bombings to strengthen criminal laws relating to attacks on places of public use, to implement the International Convention of the Suppression of the Financing of Terrorism, to combat terrorism and defend the Nation against terrorist acts, amended (H. Rept. 107–307).

Conference report on H.R. 2299, making appropriations for the Department of Transportation and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2002 (H. Rept. 107–308); and

H. Res. 299, waiving points of order against the conference report on H.R. 2299, making appropriations for the Department of Transportation and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2002 (H. Rept. 107–309).

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Journal: The House agreed to the Speaker's approval of the Journal of Wednesday, Nov. 28 by a yea-and-nay vote of 349 yeas to 48 nays with 1 voting "present," Roll No. 459.

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Member Sworn—Third Congressional District of Arkansas: Representative-elect John K. Boozman of the Third Congressional District of Arkansas presented himself in the Well of the House and was administered the oath of office by the Speaker.

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Terrorism Risk Protection Act: The House passed H.R. 3210, to ensure the continued financial capacity of insurers to provide coverage for risks from terrorism by a recorded vote of 227 ayes to 193 noes, Roll No. 464.

Pages H8572–H8630

Rejected the LaFalce motion to recommit the bill to the Committee on Financial Services with instructions to report it back forthwith with amendments that strikes section 15 dealing with tort provisions and prevents past through of costs related to industry assessments to cover insured losses resulting from acts of terrorism by a recorded vote of 173 ayes to 243 noes, Roll No. 463.

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Pursuant to the rule, the amendment in the nature of a substitute consisting of the text of H.R. 3357, to ensure the continued financial capacity of insurers to provide coverage for risks from terrorism, was adopted.

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Rejected the LaFalce amendment in the nature of a substitute printed in H. Rept. 107–304 that sought to include an insurance industry deductible of \$5 billion, require terrorism coverage as part of commercial property and casualty insurance, and specifies no limits on tort actions or recoveries by a yea-and-nay vote of 197 yeas to 222 nays, Roll No. 462.

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H. Res. 297, the rule that providing for consideration of the bill was agreed to by a recorded vote of 216 ayes to 202 noes, Roll No. 461. Earlier agreed to order the previous question by a yea-and-nay vote of 220 yeas to 204 nays, Roll No. 460.

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Muscular Dystrophy Community Assistance, Research and Education Amendments: The House agreed to the Senate amendment to H.R. 717, to amend the Public Health Service Act to provide for research and services with respect to Duchenne muscular dystrophy—clearing the measure for the President.

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Recess: Recessed at 7:56 p.m. and reconvened at 6:02 a.m. on Friday, Nov. 30.

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Recess: Recessed at 6:30 a.m. and reconvened at 7:21 a.m. on Friday, Nov. 30.

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Senate Messages: Messages received from the Senate today appear on page H8568.

Referral: S. 1741 was held at the desk. Page H8568

Quorum Calls—Votes: Three yea-and-nay votes and three recorded votes developed during the proceedings of the House today and appear on pages H8568, H8588, H8588–89, H8626–27, H8628–29, H8629–30. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: The House met at 10 a.m. and adjourned at 7:22 a.m. on Friday, Nov. 30.

Committee Meetings

RISK COMMUNICATION: NATIONAL SECURITY AND PUBLIC HEALTH

Committee on Government Reform: Subcommittee on National Security, Veterans Affairs, and International Relations held a hearing on "Risk Communication: National Security and Public Health." Testimony was heard from David Satcher, M.D., U.S. Surgeon General, Department of Health and Human Services; C. Everett Koop, M.D., former U.S. Surgeon General; and public witnesses

TRAFFICKING VICTIMS PROTECTION ACT IMPLEMENTATION

Committee on International Relations: Held a hearing on Implementation of the Trafficking Victims Protection Act. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of State: Paula J. Dobriansky, Under Secretary, Global Affairs; and Janet Ballantyne, Acting Deputy Administrator, AID; Ralph F. Boyd, Assistant Attorney General, Civil Rights, Department of Justice; Wade Horn, Assistant Secretary, Children and Families, Department of Health and Human Services; and public witnesses.

OVERSIGHT—JUDICIAL MISCONDUCT STATUTES

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Courts, the Internet and Intellectual Property held an oversight hearing on "The Operations and Federal Judicial Misconduct and Recusal Statutes." Testimony was heard from William L. Osteen, U.S. District Judge, Middle District of North Carolina; and public witnesses.

INTERNET GAMBLING MEASURES

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Crime held a hearing on the following bills: H.R. 556, Unlawful Internet Gambling Funding Prohibition Act; and H.R. 3215, Combatting Illegal Gambling Reform and Modernization Act. Testimony was heard from Representatives Goodlatte and Leach; Timothy